



## Economist - Regulatory Analyst

Recruitment #: LL-1-456C-OC

Olympia, Washington

Salary: Up to \$63,096

Full benefits package

Closing Date: No Set Deadline

1<sup>st</sup> screening will be on August 31, 2006

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### AGENCY MISSION

The mission of the UTC is to protect consumers by ensuring that utility and transportation services are fairly priced, available, reliable, and safe. The commission is an adaptive organization that values the contributions of all employees. Find more information about our agency on our [homepage](#).

### ROLE

Provide expert level advice and research in the areas of policy analysis in energy regulation. This is done with a particular emphasis on the details of electricity markets and gas markets, as well as, the supporting generation and transmission equipment required for these markets.

Analyze production cost simulations for rate cases and power cost adjustment cases, as well as constrained optimization of capacity expansion planning cases for Integrated Resource Plans and Requests for Proposals. Analyze supply and conservation technologies for use in planning analysis. Use innovative approaches to resolving complex or difficult regulatory issues having broad impact. These complex issues involve competing interests, multiple stakeholders, competing or conflicting jurisdictions, and a range of possible outcomes that contribute to its complexity. Conduct research, analysis, investigations, and make recommendations that may be unprecedented and controversial. May direct or lead the work of other professional staff on a project basis.

### OUR IDEAL CANDIDATE will possess the following:

#### Education:

- Bachelor' Degree in economics, accounting, business or public administration, finance, engineering, law or related filed.

#### Experience:

- 3 years of professional research and analysis;
- Analysis of energy cost simulations for rate cases and power cost adjustment cases;
- Analysis of constrained optimization of capacity expansio0n planning cases for energy company integrated Resource Plans and Request for Proposals;
- Analysis of energy supply and conservation technologies for use in planning;
- Serving as an expert witness in contested administrative or judicial proceedings;
- Lead project teams to completion

#### Demonstrated skills and abilities in the following competencies:

- Cost allocation tools and concepts and rate design skills to support rate case analysis.
- Conducting research and investigations, drawing conclusions, and making recommendations;
- Clearly, effectively communicate verbally and in writing with individuals and groups within and outside the agency, using language that is appropriate to both the complexity of the topic and the knowledge and understanding of the audience or reader;
- Negotiate resolution of controversial issues between parties;
- Interpret law and regulations to assist and educate stakeholders;
- Impact and influence stakeholders by presenting ideas and opinions in a persuasive manner while maintaining a balanced openness to other ideas and views;

- Interact with others in a manner that builds and maintains a high level of stakeholder satisfaction with the Commission;
- Earn the trust, respect, and confidence of others by being honest, forthright, and professional;
- Build constructive working relationships and contribute to group solutions;
- Take responsibility for the quality and timeliness of work and meet expectations;
- Value innovation and creativity, receive new ideas, and adapt to new situations; take initiative in exploring new options to accomplish goals; and
- Computer applications (such as Microsoft Office – Word, Excel, Access), and e-mail and internet.

#### **SPECIAL NOTES:**

- Must be willing to adjust work schedule on short notice; travel for trainings and/or meetings; work in the field when necessary; able to work with hostile clients and customers.
- Conflict of Interest: RCW 80.01.020 limits the UTC's ability to employ any person who owns stock in any company the UTC regulates or is otherwise financially interested in such company. Such interests include those of an employee's spouse.

#### **APPLICATION PROCESS:** Interested and qualified candidates should submit the following:

1. A letter of interest detailing your interest in the position and how you possess the education, experience, knowledge, skills and abilities to be our ideal candidate.
2. A resume with employment history.
3. Three to five professional references with direct knowledge of your qualifications for this position along with current contact information for each. Please include at least one reference from a current and former supervisor, and one from a current or former peer.
4. The UTC would appreciate your voluntary cooperation in filling out the [applicant profile data form](#) (link) and submitting it with your application materials. This information is for reporting purposes only and is strictly confidential.

#### **PLEASE SEND YOUR MATERIALS TO:**

Email Preferred	US Mail or Fax
<b>JOBS@wutc.wa.gov</b>	Jody Flynn Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission Human Resource Organization 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250 FAX: 360-586-9155

If you have questions you may call **Jody Flynn** at 360-664-1134

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